## LR 16.3(a)(2)

## Amended December 1, 2012

- (2) Social Security Disability Cases. These matters are referred upon filing to a magistrate judge for further proceedings as follows:
- (A) Within 60 days of the filing of the transcript and answer, counsel for the plaintiff shall file with the Court an itemized statement of the specific errors upon which the plaintiff seeks reversal of the Commissioner's decision, and complete and file a Fact Sheet available in the Clerk's Office. Plaintiff's itemized statement of the specific errors shall not exceed twenty (20) pages in length.
- (B) The Commissioner shall file an opposition to the plaintiff's itemized statement of specific errors no later than sixty (60) days after the Plaintiff files his/her statement of errors. The Commissioner's opposition shall not exceed twenty (20) pages in length. No further briefing will be permitted.
- (BC) The case, then being ready for the entry of judgment upon the pleadings and transcript of the record, will be scheduled for oral argument.
- (CD) At oral argument, each party will be given 15 minutes to present its position to the Court. Counsel for the plaintiff shall set forth the specific errors about which the plaintiff complains. Counsel for the Commissioner shall then set forth reasons why the Commissioner's decision should be affirmed. Counsel are required to cite statute, regulation, and case authority to support their respective positions. Any factual assertions must be supported by transcript references. Additional time for oral argument or the presentation of briefs following argument will be permitted only for good cause shown and on such terms as the Court may direct.
- (DE) If the oral argument is conducted before a magistrate judge and the parties have not consented to the magistrate judge's jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 636(c), the magistrate judge will issue a recommended decision. Any party desiring to object to the recommended decision shall do so in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) and must provide a transcript of the oral argument.
- (F) The Court has the discretion to waive oral argument, either on its own motion, or at the request of one of the parties.